RESPONSE TO PETITION

Petition Number: 569

Petition Sponsored by: Mr Joe McCracken MP
Directed to: Hon Sonya Kilkenny MP

Tabled on:

Petition Grievance:

The petition of certain citizens of the State of Victoria draws to the attention of the Legislative Council the planned building of a major electrical substation by Powercor at 203 York Street, Ballarat East.

Petition Action:

The petitioners therefore request that the Legislative Council call on the Government to intervene and halt the planned building of a major electrical substation by Powercor in Ballarat East as it is closely surrounded by residences and request that the land be rezoned.

Reply:

I thank the Member for tabling this petition on behalf of the petitioners.

The land at 203 York Street, Ballarat is included in the Special Use Zone 1 which has a purpose for service and utility. This zoning has earmarked the site for development for such purposes. Under the zone, there is no planning permit required for a utility installation (substation) if it is carried out by or on behalf of the public land manager.

Any facility constructed on the land must comply with all relevant legislation regarding noise impacts on surrounding residences.

Hon Sonya Kilkenny MP

Minister for Planning

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